

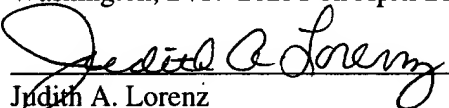


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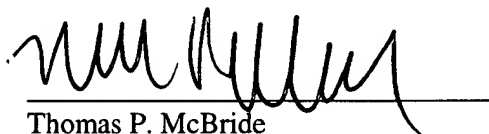
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Transmitted herewith are the following documents in the above-identified application.

- X Amendment and Remarks to Office Communication dated October 21, 2002;
- X Copy of Letter to Official Draftsperson and two (2) Sheets of corrected Drawings
- X Petition for Extension of Time under CFR 1.136(a);
- X If an additional extension of time is required, but is not enclosed, please consider this a conditional petition therefor and charge Deposit Account 13-4125 accordingly.
- X Please charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 13-4125. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

Respectfully submitted,



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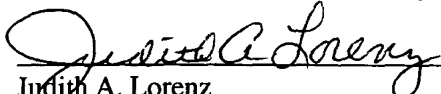


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LETTER TO OFFICIAL DRAFTSPERSON

Enclosed are two (2) sheets of corrected drawings which can be used in place of the drawings originally filed with the application.

In accordance with the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review attached to Paper No.11, the drawings have been corrected as follows. In the corrected drawing sheets the views for Figures 16A through 16E now labeled property and conform to the requirements of 37 CFR 1.84(h).

It is respectfully requested that the corrected drawings submitted herewith be accepted. Should any questions arise, please contact the undersigned.

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